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MEMORANDUM FOR GENERAL ROBERT CUTLER

SUBJECT : Financing of Action Pursuant to Paragraph 11 of NSC 159/4

REFERENCE: Your memorandum for the Record, this subject, dated 6 February 1954

1. In the reference memorandum, you have called attention to the fact that this Agency has not included in its Fiscal Year 1955 Budget any specific item to provide for the improved foreign intelligence called for under Paragraph 11 of NSC 159/4. The reason for this is that the whole subject of Soviet capabilities and intentions is at the very top of our existing priorities, and it would be impracticable to attempt to separate out the portions of our budget applicable to the pursuit of greater knowledge thereon.

2. This Agency's budget for Fiscal Year 1955 is based, as in the past, on the maximum feasible effort in this respect. The program has not been limited by financial considerations.

/s/



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